

RENDEZVOUS.

Twenty-Seven Vessels to Leave Hampton Roads.

Indications That the Trip to New York Will Be Rough.

Great Crowds of Visitors at Fort Monroe Sunday—Admiral Gherardi Feels the Responsibility Which Rest Upon Him as Commander-in-Chief.

FORT MONROE, Va., April 24.—Twenty-seven ships of war will sail from here at 1 o'clock Monday for New York. At that hour the tide running out to sea will have swung the massive hulls, and the sharp prows will be pointed toward the ocean. This is a matter of no small importance, as an attempt to turn all the ships at once would be a most dangerous experiment. There was no rest for Admiral Gherardi Sunday. Signal flags were running up and down from the yard from the Philadelphia, and red messengers went hurried in plunging launches from ship to ship, and the typewriter in the admiral's office went at a pace almost as rapid as the life which the bellies and their beaus have been living at the Hygeia. There is no question but that the admiral feels the



responsibility which rests upon him as commander-in-chief of the squadron. Several times Sunday he was upon the bridge of the Philadelphia viewing with anxious eyes the gathering clouds, and wondering if the gale would abate. Everybody here is naturally hoping that the weather in New York will be fair; but the seasoned old salts, who know all about the weather, shook their heads dubiously Sunday. The wind has been blowing from the northeast, and it blew and cold. It whistled Sunday morning most ominously through the rigging of the Chicago, and stiffened the signal flags on the Philadelphia into a semblance of frozen bunting. The sea ran heavy, great waves breaking against the sides of the vessels, and threatening with destruction the little launches in which venturesome excursionists put off from shore. The forbidding weather was unfortunate for the crowds, who, with the earliest morning boats, began to swell the already too numerous colony here. The steamers from Washington, Norfolk and Baltimore were loaded with passengers; the incoming trains bore their quota of sightseers, and every craft in Norfolk harbor seemed to have been utilized to carry people who wanted to get a final look at the metropolis of war.



In more ways than one was the fact that this was the last day of the rendezvous emphasized. One of the most interesting incidents was the provisioning of the ships for the cruise. The steamers from the large cities Sunday morning were piled high with edibles. Tons and tons of beef were brought from Baltimore and transferred by hands more or less unclean to the ship's cutters, which were dancing on the waves at the wharf. Huge crates of canned goods and mammoth sacks of vegetables stood side by side with food enough to stock a store. A rampart of bread edged the wharf, and might, if the occasion had arisen, have served the same purpose as the bales of cotton did for Andrew Jackson at the battle of New Orleans. One pile of bread actually counted 8,880 loaves, and there were several mountain of baked dough near by as large. American, English, German, Russian, Spanish, French, Italian and Dutch sailors hovered around and transferred it amid a babel-like confusion to their own boats. All this had to be done Sunday

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CONDENSED NEWS

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The bank of Millbank, S. D., failed. Liabilities \$100,000.

Hoodlums burned the Dunkards' church at Darlington, Ind.

The New York hotel, an historic hostelry, has been sold for \$1,500,000.

A Syrian woman, afflicted with leprosy, was arrested at Ft. Wayne, Ind.

George Pigg is in jail at Terre Haute, Ind., charged with the murder of his four-months-old half-sister and his father.

Maximite, an explosive invented by Hudson Maxim, was tested at New York. An ounce of it is equal to one pound of black powder.

Carrier pigeons took messages from Dolphin at Fortress Monroe to the president and wife at Washington, 135 miles, in about five hours.

Gov. Fishback, of Arkansas, has issued an appeal to the officers of Morrillton to punish the members of the mob that hung a negro prisoner there recently.

Gossip says that Secretary of the Navy Herbert is to marry the widow of Daniel Manning. She is on board the Dolphin, the guest of the secretary and his daughter.

A heavy frost in the vicinity of Humboldt, Tenn., almost destroyed the fruit and tomato crop. Strawberries were ripe and being shipped. Other crops are badly damaged.

George Henry, one of the party who killed Mrs. Abbie Oliver Delaney, near Sturgis, Ky., has confessed. This makes the third or fourth confession made by the accused men.

Prince Ferdinand, of Bulgaria, and his bride, the Princess Marie Louise, of Parma, have sailed from Spezia in the Amphitrite, their destination being Varna, their Bulgarian seaport.

At Summertown, Tenn., the house and effects of J. B. Bond, including a law library valued at \$4,000, were burned. One of the family, Miss Zollhoefer, came near being roasted alive.

The final meeting of the World's fair commissioners in a few days will determine whether or not the fair should be opened on Sunday, in violation of the act of congress making the federal appropriation.

At Rosa Station, St. Landry parish, La., Charlton W. Harvard in a quarrel shot and seriously wounded Owen Heath. Russell and John Heath pursued Harvard with guns and were themselves shot. Russell being killed and John fatally wounded.

Gov. Flower has appointed a commissioner to take testimony in the case of Carlyle W. Harris. This action does not necessarily act as a stay of execution, as the governor expects this work will be finished in time to allow him to review the testimony and announce his decision before the date of the execution.

The post office at Lakewood, N. J., was entered by thieves early Saturday morning. They blew open the safe and took \$2,500 worth of stamps and about \$300 in cash. They also took the postal note book. From this it is supposed they were professional post office thieves and knew the value of this book.

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, April 24.

FLOUR—Winter patent, \$3.40; extra, \$3.45; low grade, \$3.10; spring patent, \$3.45; spring fancy, \$3.10; spring family, \$2.75; 2.25. Rye flour, \$3.00; 3.15.

WHEAT—No. 2 red held at 60¢, but shipper would probably hesitate to pay 60¢ and take chances on export, under the present conditions. No. 3 red quotable at 58¢.

CORN—Ear quotable at 40¢, according to weight, color and quantity. No. 2 white held at 44¢; 45¢ and No. 2 mixed at 42¢.

OATS—Market was dull and weak. No. 1 white quotable at 34¢; No. 2 mixed at 31¢.

RYE—The market was nominally unchanged, good No. 2 being held at 50¢, with buyers at 50¢.

CATTLE—Shippers, \$4.75; 4.85. Oxen, \$2.75; 4.75; select butcher, \$4.75; 4.85; extra, a little more; fair to good, \$3.85; 4.00; common, \$3.50; 3.50. Heifers: Good to choice, \$4.00; 4.10; common to fair, \$2.75; 2.85. Cows, good to choice, \$4.00; 4.10; fair to medium, \$3.00; 3.15; common and thin rough stock, \$1.50; 2.75; fat cows, \$3.00; 3.15.

HOES—Select heavy and prime butcher, \$7.40; 7.50; none of the best on market, fair to good packing, \$7.15; 7.20; common and rough, \$6.10; 6.15; prime light, \$7.20; 7.30; others, \$6.00; 6.10; fat pigs, \$6.00; 6.10; common to fair, \$5.00; 5.10.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep—Clipped, \$3.50; 3.75; wool, \$4.00; 4.10; lambs, \$4.00; 4.10; 4.25; wool, \$5.00; 5.10; spring lambs, \$7.00; 7.10.

PITTSBURGH, April 24.

CATTLE—Market nothing doing, all through consignments; ten cars cattle shipped to New York.

HOES—Market active; Philadelphia, \$7.40; 7.50; mixed, \$7.20; 7.30; best Yorkers, \$7.00; 7.10; pigs and light Yorkers, \$7.20; 7.30; six cars hogs shipped to New York.

SHEEP—Market nothing doing, all through consignments.

WHEAT—Strong; April and May, 74¢; June, 75¢; July, 75¢.

CORN—Firm; April, 45¢; May, 45¢; July, 45¢.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white western, 41¢; No. 2 mixed do, 38¢.

RYE—Slow; No. 2, 62¢.

CHICAGO, April 24.

FLOUR AND GRAIN—Cash Quotations—Flour, steady; No. 2, spring wheat, 72¢; No. 3, spring wheat, 68¢; No. 2, red, 72¢; No. 2, corn, 41¢; No. 3, 39¢; No. 2, oats, 27¢; 28¢; No. 2, white, 36¢; No. 2, white, 34¢; No. 2, rye, 50¢; No. 2, barley, 62¢; No. 1, flax-seed, 1.13; 1.14.

PHILADELPHIA, April 24.

WHEAT—Strong and advanced 1/2¢ under bullish speculation. No. 2 red, April, 75¢; 75 1/2¢.

CORN—Firm and prices closed 1/4¢ higher. Fair local trade. No. 2 mixed, April, 45¢; 45 1/2¢.

OATS—Steady under moderate offerings and fair demand. No. 2 white, April, 40¢; 40 1/2¢.

WHEAT—Active and higher; No. 2 cash and April 75¢; May 74¢; July 74¢; August 75¢.

CORN—Dull and steady; No. 2 cash and May 42¢; July 43¢.

OATS—Quiet; cash 32¢.

RYE—Dull; cash 50¢.

CLOVER SEED—Dull.

NEW YORK, April 24.

WHEAT—Market strong, moderately active. No. 2 red seed and elevator 75 1/2¢; 75 1/4¢; No. 1 hard 82 1/2¢; No. 2 May 75 1/2¢; 75 1/4¢.

CORN—Market firm and dull. No. 2 40¢; elevator, 40 1/2¢; 40 1/4¢; ungraded mixed 39 1/2¢; 39 1/4¢; No. 2 seed 41 1/2¢; 41 1/4¢.

BARLEY—Quiet, firm. Western 62 1/2¢; 62 1/4¢.

RYE—Steady, quiet, firm. Western 50 1/2¢; 50 1/4¢.

OATS—Market dull and firmer on whites; options firmer and quiet. May 23 1/2¢; 23 1/4¢; No. 2 white 24 1/2¢; No. 2 Chicago 24 1/2¢; No. 3 23 1/2¢.

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